Saudi Arabia for the Haj during the last three years as under :

Year	Number of Pilgrims	Expenditure Incurred (Rs.)	Per Capita Expenditure (Rs.)
1994	25,685	24.69 crores	9612.00
1995	30,503	17.95 crores	5884.00
1996	50,346	42.02 crores	8346.00

(b) The amount of subsidy on air travel for Haj pilgrimage has not been determined for 1997.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) and (e) In 1996, Government decided to peg the amount payable to Kumaon Mandal Vikas Nigam (KMVN) by pilgrims at the rate of Rs. 5000/- per pilgrim. The total cost charged by KMVN was Rs. 8250/-. Thus, the Government provided a subsidy of Rs. 3250/- per pilgrim to KMVN towards board, Dodge and transport arrangements. Government also provides other facilities to pilgrims which include medical assistance, security and escort cover through ITBP and UP State Police, communication links between Delhi and places en route on the Indian side as well as in China and a Liaison Officer at Government cost with each batch of pilgrim.

(f) and (g) In the case of Sikh/Sehajdhari and Hindu Jathas from India to Pakistan, Government extends all required assistance, obtains approval of the Government of Pakistan for the visit of each Jatha; coordinates with various State Governments/Ministries/Authorities and forwards the lists of intending pilgrims to the Pakistan High Commission, New Delhi for visas; arranges with the Ministry of Railways special train services for the pilgrims both for onward/return journey; expedites release of foreign exchange from Reserve Bank of India as a special case in view of the fact that permission for Jathas is given at short notice and visas are stamped on the pilgrims' passports which is one or two days prior to the departure of the Jathas; attaches a Liaison Officer from the High Commission of India in Islamabad to render assistance to the visiting pilgrims when they contact for any kind of help etc.

Science Centres

3561. SHRI DINESH CHANDRA YADAV : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Union Government have set up Science Centres in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and the criteria prescribed for setting up of these Science Centres;

(c) whether the Government propose to set up Science Centre at Saharasa in Koshi area of Bihar; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S.R. BOMMAI) : (a) to (d) National Council of Science Museums, with its Headquarters at Calcutta, is engaged in setting up of large, medium and small Science Centres throughout the country. The details of the 26 Science Centres which have been set up so far are given in the attached statement.

For setting up of Science Centres, the concerned State Government is required to offer land free of cost and to bear 50% of the development cost.

Neither the Council has any proposal nor any request from the State Government has been received.

Statement

1. Birla Industrial and Technological Museum, Calcutta (West Bengal).
2. Central Research and Training Laboratory, Calcutta (West Bengal).
3. District Science Centre, Purulia (West Bengal).
4. Science Centre, Bardhaman, (West Bengal).
5. Sciene City (Convention Centre Only) (West Bengal).
6. Visvesvaraya Industrial and Technological Museum, Bangalore (Karnataka).
7. District Science Centre, Gulbarga (Karnataka)
8. Nehru Science Centre, Mumbai (Maharashtra).
9. Raman Science Centre and Planetarium, Nagpur (Maharashtra).
10. National Science Centre, Delhi (Delhi).
11. Shrikrishna Science Centre, Patna (Bihar).
12. Regional Science Centre, Lucknow (Uttar Pradesh).
13. Regional Science Centre, Bhubaneswar (Orissa).
14. Science Centre, Dhenkanal (Orissa).
15. Kapilas Science Park, Kapilas (Orissa).
16. Regional Science Centre, Tirupati (Andhra Pradesh).
17. District Science Centre, Dharampur (Gujarat).
18. District Science Centre, Tirunelveli (Tamil Nadu).
19. Regional Science Centre, Guwahati (Assam).
20. Regional Science Centre, Bhopal (Madhya Pradesh).
21. Science Activity Corner, Gwalior (Madhya Pradesh).

22. Regional Science Centre and Planetarium, Calicut (Kerata).
23. Science Activity Centre, Sirsa (Haryana).
24. Panorama Museum, Kurukshetra (nearing completion) (Haryana).
25. North Bengal Science Centre, Siliguri (West Bengal) (Awaiting inauguration).
26. Science Centre, Digha (West Bengal) (Awaiting inauguration).

[English]

KV at Sundergarh

3562. KUMARI FRIDA TOPNO : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the land for construction of building of Kendriya Vidyalaya has been allotted by the District Administration of Sundergarh in Orissa;

(b) if so, whether the funds have been allotted for the construction of building;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the time by which the funds are likely to be allotted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Parsuram Road Scheme

3563. SHRI PUNNU LAL MOHLE : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether there was any Parsuram Road Scheme;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of roads connected with the National Highways by the Government under the said scheme, State-wise;

(d) whether the Government propose to declare the road connecting Ranchi, Jamshedpur Raipur, Bilaspur, Mandla Road to Jabalpur as a National Highway; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) to (c) Under this scheme there was a proposal to connect Bombay, Nagpur-Rourkela and Dhanbad through Super National Highway However, the scheme could not take off due to resource constraints.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

[Translation]

Central Institute of Psychiatry

3564. SHRI MOHAMMAD ALI ASHRAF FATMI :
SHRI RAM TAHAL CHAUDHARY :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have any proposal for providing modern equipment and facilities in the Central Institute of Psychiatry at Kane in Ranchi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether number of cases of corruption in the said institute have been reported during the last three years;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) the action taken by the Government against the person found guilty;

(f) the amount of food being provided to each patient daily in the said institute; and

(g) the efforts made by the Government to increase this quantum as it is inadequate to provide adequate quantum of food in the present circumstances?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI) : (a) and (b) Central Institute of Psychiatry is a Central Government Institute and has essential equipments and facilities. However, it is proposed to upgrade the facilities during the IXth Plan Period.

(c) to (e) There were allegations of corruption in the Institute and preliminary enquiry revealed that in matters of purchases of stores and equipments, proper procedures as per financial rules and regulations had not been followed. Consequently; a special audit has been ordered by the Director General of Health Services to be conducted by the Director of Audit, New Delhi, Report of the special audit is still awaited.

(f) and (g) The quantity of food supplied to the patients in the Institute is shown in the Statement attached. The Diet Committee of the Institute meets periodically to review the quantity and quality of the food provided to the patients and suitable action is taken in the matter.

Statement

Diet for 1st and 2nd Class Patients

Breakfast	Food items	Vegetarian	Non-Vegetarian
1	2	3	4
	1. Bread	100 grams	100 grams
	2. Butter/Jam	10/20 grams	10/20 grams